

MR. KELLY'S FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 19, 2024



Dear QCA Families:

It's coming... just around the corner..... From January 29 through February 2, 2024, we will celebrate **who we are**. Catholic Schools Week affords us the yearly opportunity to reflect on our identity and to rejoice in our mission. I want to thank you all for specifically supporting Quincy Catholic Academy and for being such an integral part our mission. It has been said that the most effective form of Christian evangelization has been the institution of Catholic Education. I can think of no other time in history more in need of embracing the message of Jesus. Indeed, the task is daunting, the obstacles overwhelming. But like the sower in Jesus' parable, we are called to plant seeds in good, healthy soil and pray that the roots will be strong and life-giving. It is good to re-visit our mission from time to time, to re-dedicate ourselves to our purposes and to confirm that we are indeed faithful to our charge. Take a minute to read our mission statement. I pray we are faithful to it.

Quincy Catholic Academy is a diverse learning community of students from Preschool to Grade Eight. We are dedicated to faith and values formation, academic excellence, and service to others. We are guided by the teachings of Jesus as we prepare for life in the twenty-first century.

I hope it is a week rich in reflection, appreciation, recognition, and good-old-fashioned fun ... a true celebration!

A detailed list of events and activities for Catholic Schools Week will be forthcoming ... Stay tuned

God bless,
Mr. Kelly



Before we can fully celebrate Catholic Schools Week, it's important we have a successful **OPEN HOUSE** on **Thursday, January 25, 2024**



Please invite and encourage anyone you know who is looking for an amazing school to attend our upcoming OPEN HOUSE next Thursday, January 25th. The evening begins at 6:00 pm with a general gathering, followed by Tours of the school, Q&A's and an informal reception. Please help us recruit new students to become part of the QCA Family! This is the single most important event in our Enrollment Process. Thank you for your support!!



RE-REGISTRATION from 2024-2025

Our **RE-REGISTRATION PROCESS** has begun. A complete packet was sent home last Friday, with all the information about Re-Registration. Early Re-Registration will save you \$100, but must be completed by Friday, February 2nd. Re-Registration fee after that date is \$250. Other Registration incentives are listed in the Packet you received last week. **Please check it out and don't forget to RE-REGISTER as soon as possible!! Thank you ~**

THIS WEEK'S CALEDNAR WINNERS – CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Saturday, Jan 13	\$50.00	Weimei Su	Daniel Zhang
Sunday, Jan 15	\$100.00	Jiaru Lin	Ian Zou
Monday, Jan 16	\$50.00	Chang Lin	Kevin Liu
Tuesday, Jan 17	\$75.00	Zyla Cappellano	Jace Cappellano
Wednesday, Jan 18	\$50.00	Allen Zhao	Lydia Zhao
Thursday, Jan 19	\$100.00	Dan Connolly	Diego Connolly
Friday, Jan 20	\$75.00	Jielan Mai	Jianqing Wu

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK OUTREACH PROJECT

Putting Our faith Into Action



Part of Catholic Schools Week is also Spirit Week and we are promoting a Harry Potter themed Food Drive - **"Hogwarts Helps the Hungry"** - this year. Students and families are encouraged to bring in non-perishable foods which we will donate to Interfaith Social Services (ISS). Interfaith, located in downtown Quincy, is one of Greater Boston's largest food pantries. In addition, they provide the following services to anyone needing assistance in our community:

- The [New Directions Counseling Center](#)
- [HomeSafe](#) - our homelessness prevention program
- [Career Closet](#) - a program providing free professional attire to low-income job seekers
- [Joy for Children](#) - seasonal programs bringing joy to the children of our food pantry clients

For our food drive, please see the attached sheet for specific items. Please watch for more information about this important community event where we can put our faith and values into action.

Attachments:

- Re-Registration Info
- "Cinderella" Advertisement Flier
- Inter-Faith Social Services – Food Drive Donations